



Human Relations Commission
Wednesday, July 13, 2016, 6:15 P.M.
Mayor and Council Chambers, 1st Floor
255 W. Alameda St., Tucson, Arizona



Minutes

Approved on August 10, 2016

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Meeting was called to order by Chairperson Guzman at 6:17 p.m. Those present and absent were:

Present:

William Hibbs	Mayor
Manuel Guzman, Chairperson	Ward 1
Don Goebel	Ward 2
Rev. Raven Gaston	Ward 4
Delores Grayam	Ward 5
Kedar Medar, Non-voting Advisory Member	

Absent:

Daisy Jenkins	Ward 3
Rania Kanawati	Ward 6
John Dalton, Non-voting Advisory Member	

Staff Members Present:

Monica Sierra, Secretary	City Clerk's Office
Yolanda Lozano, Records Manager	City Clerk's Office
Debra Counseller, Supervisor	City Clerk's Office
Maria Talamante, Management Assistant	City Clerk's Office
Julianne Hughes, Principal	City Attorney's Office
Amy Stabler, Council Aide	Ward 6 Office
Marty Macias	EOPD
Kristie Nelson	EOPD
Erin Cooper	HCD

Guests Present:

Abby Okrent	Tucson Stop G4S
Emily Verdugo	American Friends Committee

2. Approval of Summary Minutes: June 8, 2016

It was moved by Commissioner Hibbs, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 5 to 0, (Commissioners Jenkins and Kanawati absent), to approve the June 8, 2016 Summary Minutes.

3. Call to the Audience

None

4. Review of Finding of “No Cause” on the Complaint of Discrimination, Office of Equal Opportunity Programs (OEOP) Case # 15/16-E-01 (Person vs Housing & Community Development)

It was moved by Commissioner Hibbs, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 5 to 0 (Commissioners Jenkins and Kanawati absent), to enter into Executive Session.

Recess at 6:21 p.m.

Reconvene at 6:55 p.m.

5. OEOP Case # 15/16-E-01 – Recommendation

It was moved by Commissioner Hibbs, duly seconded, and carried by a voice vote of 5 to 0, (Commissioners Jenkins and Kanawati absent), to uphold the “No Cause” finding by the Office of Equal Opportunity Programs (OEOP).

6. Presentation of Boards/Committee/Commission Review

Information and Presentation was given by Amy Stabler.

Discussion was held. No action taken.

7. Chair’s Summary of Current Events

Chairperson Guzman reported on the following:

Black Lives Matter Movement had a Tucson Vigil and Healing Circle at Armory Park.

Tanisha Price Johnson, YWCA Board President, and Kelly Fryer, CEO, publication in the Arizona Daily Star on July 12th.

Every Sunday, KXCI 91.3 has programming on local issues from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

On Saturday, July 30th from 8:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m., there will be an Impact Tucson Forum at Palo Verde High School on Bullying, Behavior and Bravery

Los Amaritanos monthly training for volunteers on August 7th from 1:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

8. Commissioners' Summary of Current Events

None

9. Subcommittee Reports and Discussion

a. Rosa Parks & Ray Davies Scholarship Funds

Report was given by Chairperson Guzman.

Discussion was held. Commissioner Grayam requested an Agenda item for the Mayor and Council Meeting on August 9, 2016 for Rosa Parks Scholarship Recipient and Ray Davies Community Service Award Scholarship Recipient.

b. Strategic Planning

Report was given by Chairperson Guzman. Discussion was held. No action taken.

c. Welcoming Immigrant City

None

d. Diversity Report

Report was given by Commissioner Grayam. She announced a meeting was held on June 27, 2016 with the Mayor, City Manager, Chief of Tucson Fire and Tucson Police and the Diversity Subcommittee to discuss the Diversity Report that was given.

Commissioner Goebel also shared information regarding the meeting and Diversity Report.

Commissioner Grayam also expressed the Mayor would like a follow up in December 2016. Discussion was held. It was requested that the Final Copy of the Diversity Report from Daisy Jenkins be shared with all Commissioners.

e. SROs and Immigration Issues on TUSD Campuses

Report was given by Chairperson Guzman. No discussion held. No action taken.

f. Human Rights Standards in Procurement

Information was provided by Chairperson Guzman.

Presentation was given by Emily Verdugo, Program Coordinator for Criminal Justice Program with American Friends Committee and Abby Okrent, Tucson Stop G4S.

It was moved by Commissioner Hibbs, duly seconded, and carried by a unanimous vote of 5 to 0, (Commissioners Jenkins and Kanawati absent) to support the process of including Human Rights Standards in procurement and continuing the conversation of how the Human Rights Commission can be directly involved in the Vendor Pre-Qualification portion of the process.

10. Report from Tucson Commission on Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, and Transgender (GLBT) Issues

None

11. Vacancies & Advisory Positions

None

12. Future Agenda Items - Information Only

- Presentation of Scholarship Recipients

13. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10 p.m.